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METACOMET TRAIL

Teen in critical condition after fall at quarry

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A teenager who fell at least 40 feet down into a quarry near a hiking trail on the Agawam-Southwick town line has been reported in critical condition as of earlier this week.

The teen, whose name has not been released, was responsive

when he was rescued, but has since undergone multiple surgeries and is listed in critical condition at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

Agawam Fire Chief Alan Sirois said Monday the Agawam Fire Department was contacted by Southwick Fire at approximately 3:30 p.m. last Thursday afternoon.

"We were told that a 17-year-

old male had fallen into the quarry off a cliff face," said Sirois.

Sirois said because of the very rough terrain, the Southwick and Agawam fire departments and EMTs had to work together to rescue the teen. "This rescue required a lot of teamwork, manpower and equipment in order to ensure everyone's safety," said Sirois.

Sirois said it is not clear how far the teen fell, but says it was at least 40 feet, possibly farther, and there is a more than 100-foot drop from the bottom of the quarry. Sirois said emergency crews worked to get a longboard and a basket to the teen. He was lowered to a safer area where rescue crews were waiting to get him to safety.

"When our crew was able to

reach him, he was placed on the board and advanced life support treatment was started," said Sirois. "He needed that because the removal was going to take some time."

Sirois complimented all the firefighters and EMTs for their work to remove the teen.

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SCHOOL STREET PARK

Second half of 'first-class' park opens

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With the second half of School Street Park now fully developed, Agawam Mayor Richard Cohen declared the park is the largest of its kind built in the region in the past 25 years.

Last Wednesday evening, the completion of School Street Park was celebrated as Cohen emceed the first concert of the summer season.

The second phase, which cost \$2.2 million, included a new band shell so the summer concert series, a staple in the community for several years, could be moved to the park. It was previously held on the Veterans Green along busy Main Street.

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Joseph Ciocolau, 1, and Parker Ence, 1, enjoy the new splash pad at School Street Park. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI



AGAWAM MOTOR LODGE

Health, fire code violations found at motel

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The owner of the Agawam Motor Lodge is facing legal action if he does not make several major cleaning and code upgrades following recent inspections.

Chuhlo Yoo, owner of the Agawam Motor Lodge since 2000, received a letter from Health In-

spector Randy White informing him of numerous violations that were a result of multiple inspections conducted on June 10.

Agawam Deputy Fire Chief B.J. Calvi noted a number of major violations in the building, specifically related to the smoke detectors in each room.

Calvi found that 12 rooms had smoke detectors not functioning

properly. Another room was not checked because it was occupied and the occupant refused to allow access to the room.

Calvi noted the emergency exit on the main floor is not proper. While it is armed with an alarm that sounds, the door sticks when opened.

Other violations found by the

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The Agawam Motor Lodge on Suffield Street. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

CLARK SCHOOL

'Lifelong learner' ends 28-year teaching career

By Mike Lydick
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It was the last day of school at the James Clark School, but the little girl in Joyce Rheame's first-grade class was in tears.

Most kids are excited about getting out of school for the summer, but Arianna Michlic's joy was tinged with some sadness. Arianna, 7, knew that when school starts in September, Rheame won't be back. After 28 years of teaching in Agawam, Rheame retired at the end of June.

One of the things Rheame will miss is the special bond she has developed with students like Arianna, whom Rheame called her "love bug."



Clark School first-grade teacher Joyce Rheame gets a hug from one of her students, Arianna Michlic, on the final day of school. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MIKE LYDICK

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Audrina Sadowski shows the Bingo card that earned her a book. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Correction

Because of a source’s error, one of the children who participated in “Bingo for Books” at the Agawam Public Library was misidentified in a photograph on page 10 of last week’s Agawam Advertiser News. The correct name is printed above.

Garden Club picnic next Tuesday

The Agawam Garden Club will hold its annual picnic and the next meeting Tuesday, July 14, at the School Street Park pavilion. Attendees are asked to bring a food or beverage item to share. Entrance is on Corey Street in Agawam.

YMCA to host Mohegan Sun trip

The Agawam YMCA will host a bus trip to Mohegan Sun the third Monday of each month, with the exception of December. This month’s trip is scheduled for July 20. The bus will leave the YMCA parking lot at 8 a.m. Tickets are \$25 per person and include a \$15 meal ticket and two \$10 big wheel tickets. To reserve a seat, call Helen at 413-786-8685.

‘Blue Collar Project’ at Turnverein July 11

The Springfield Turnverein, 60 N. Westfield St., Feeding Hills, will host a concert by the Blue Collar Project Saturday, July 11, from 8 to 11 p.m. The Turnverein is open to the public. For more information, call 413-786-0924.

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New Chamber leader sees room to grow membership

By Michael J. Ballway
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The new head of the West of the River Chamber of Commerce is excited about the business group's work — and he wishes more people were, too.

Chuck Kelly, who took office June 18 at the Chamber's annual breakfast at Chez Josef, said his priority as chairman of the Board of Directors will be to build up the membership rolls.

That will mean convincing Agawam and West Springfield businesses that there's value in purchasing a membership.

The Chamber could do a better job promoting and advertising its member businesses, Kelly said — including encouraging local businesses to spend their own dollars at local businesses.

"You want them to buy from one another," he said. "Even my wife, she sees those Chamber members come in buying from us when they hadn't, before."

Other priorities for the coming year include advocating for the needs of small business with the state Legislature and governor's administration. Kelly mentioned several of the topics that came up at a Chamber legislative breakfast earlier this year — the minimum wage, the new state sick leave mandate, the Affordable Care Act. "These are things that affect small business," Kelly said.

Kelly had kind words for the outgoing chairman, John Weiss, and for the Chamber's internship and student ca-



Chuck Kelly, left, the new chairman of the West of the River Chamber of Commerce, and West Springfield Mayor Edward Sullivan, right, congratulate John Weiss at the Chamber's annual breakfast last month, as he steps down from the chairmanship. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY MICHAEL J. BALLWAY

reer day programs in Agawam and West Springfield.

"John built a great foundation," Kelly said. "I'm extremely proud of the Education Committee. I'm looking forward to it continuing in that direction."

Kelly has been active in the West of the River Chamber of Commerce for several years, but only the past three years on the Board of Directors. He also served on the board of directors of the former West Springfield Chamber of Commerce, 20 years ago. He is the general manager of his wife's business, Flowers by Webster, which has locations in West Springfield and Westfield. He has served on the Chamber's Economic Development Committee and Membership and Marketing Committee.

Talk on innovation

In addition to meeting the Chamber's new officers, members who attended the annual breakfast heard from entrepreneur, business coach and motivational speaker Nancy Butler about adapting to change.

It's easy to point to companies that failed slowly, making poor decisions over a long period of time, but there's a lesson to be learned from the precipitous drops, she said. One of the biggest challenges a business faces is complacency. Companies like Kodak and RIM, the maker of the BlackBerry smartphone, were innovators that stopped innovating and suddenly found themselves detached from their customers' changing needs. They were market leaders until the point when new technologies overtook them, and by then it was too late.

"When it's working, you have to be just as willing to step

it up and do something different," Butler said. "It's OK to be fearful of change. It's not OK not to do it."

By contrast, Apple Inc., the world's second-largest computer and smartphone company, is constantly innovating despite its leading position in several segments of the industry: "They're never done."

She asked the local businesspeople present at the breakfast to think about how each of their industries was different 10 years ago — and how it could be different 10 years from now.

Michele Brennan of Bridgeport National Bindery said her company would have died "a slow death" if it hadn't changed its business model eight years ago, in response to the rise of the ebook. The company now focuses on "single book" manufacturing — short runs that allow the company to cater to small-scale authors.

Butler also told business leaders that they should set aside one or two hours a week, or at least one hour a month, free of distractions, to "work on your business" — think about how it operates, contemplate change and set long-term goals.

The Chamber's new board

Chairman: Chuck Kelly, general manager of Flowers by Webster in West Springfield and Westfield

First vice chairman: Brian Houle, recruitment and staffing operations professional at Spherion in West Springfield.

Second vice chairman: Frank Palange, owner of V&F Auto in Agawam and chairman of the Planning Board in West Springfield.

Treasurer: Lori Stickles, manager of United Bank branch in Agawam.

Clerk: Patty Parker-Flores, cooperative education coordinator at Lower Pioneer Valley Technical School in West Springfield.

Board members: Immediate Past Chairman John Weiss, Ormsby Insurance Agency; Bonnie Massoia, Canary-Blomstrom Insurance Agency; David Chase, Freedom Credit Union; Donna Safford-Fleury, Crestview County Club; Jennifer Lichlyter, Six Flags New England; Jaime Smith, Westfield Bank, West Springfield Branch; Noreen Tassinari, Eastern States Exposition; Michele Brennan, Bridgeport National Bindery; Matthew Roberts, Insurance Center of New England; Melissa Richter, Peoples Bank; Tanya Moriarty, Johnson, Scalfini & Moriarty; Dee Emery-Ferrero, DEF Enterprises; John O'Farrell, Boys & Girls Club of West Springfield; Bridget Fiala, Marinosci Law Group; and Bill Lucardi, Marketing Doctor.



Nancy Butler gives a talk on responding to industry changes at the Chamber of Commerce annual breakfast last month.

Are You Old News?

Each week the Agawam Advertiser News digs into its submitted photo archives and selects a people photo to publish. We need your help to help identify those pictured. Email your answers by Monday at noon to aan@turley.com. Please include your first and last name.



Last week's photo: Correctly identifying Susan Borgatti Meunier were Pat Borgatti and Sharon Gendron

Beer tasting, BBQ to aid local landmark

The expansive lawn of Agawam's historic Captain Charles Leonard House will be the site of a summer craft beer tasting and barbecue sponsored by nearby McCarthy Liquors on Saturday, Aug. 1. The event will run rain or shine, from 2 to 5 p.m., and feature a large variety of local and craft beers and ciders for sampling. Tents will provide shelter in the event of rain. Standard barbecue fare such as hamburgers, hot dogs, pulled pork and salads will also be offered. The Captain Charles Leonard House is at 663 Main St., Agawam.

Tickets to the event are \$20 per person and are available at McCarthy's Liquors, 430 Main St., Agawam, and Johnny Mac Liquors, 1949 Wilbraham Road, Springfield, or by calling the Captain Charles Leonard House at 413-786-9421. Attendees must be at least 21 years old. All proceeds of the event will be donated to the Captain Leonard House by the McCarthy family to help with preservation needs.

The McCarthys have been consistent supporters of the Captain Charles Leonard House. According to event organizer Phil Kimball, "John and Manon [Mc-

Carthy] have hosted an annual fall beer and wine tasting here at the house for several years. It's become one of our most popular events, and they generously donate all proceeds for the ongoing-preservation of this 200-year-old landmark."

"We're glad to do what we can to help ensure that the Captain Leonard House is preserved and available for use by future generations of area residents," remarked John McCarthy.

The Captain Charles Leonard House was built in 1805 as a stage tavern to service travelers on the Hartford-Boston route. The house was restored in the late 1930s by Minerva Davis, who then established a board of trustees to oversee the operation of the Captain Charles Leonard House as Agawam's Community House, the role it has served since 1939. The house is available to rent for business functions and social events.

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Opinion

OUR VIEW

Great parks make a town great

City Council President Christopher Johnson called it “a first-class park” amid all the cheer-leading and backslapping in the band shell on opening day at School Street Park, July 1.

He’s right, and town leaders will hear even more cheering if School Street Park is the first ... in a series.

With the completion of the park’s second phase, Agawam now has a recreation destination — a feature that will draw in families from all over town and across the region. When moms and dads get together in the Pioneer Valley to talk about what to do with the kids for free during summer vacation, School Street Park puts Agawam in the conversation.

That’s important because the average neighborhood park isn’t the selling point and community center it used to be. In a suburban town like Agawam, many of the homes have swings, a slide and ample space to run around right in their own back yard. Kids — and, more to the point, kids’ parents looking to buy a home — won’t be wowed anymore by a simple playground and an open field. The average park isn’t enough to raise property values and quality of life in Agawam.

A great town needs a great park, and a great park has to have something that sets it apart. School Street has the spray park, and for special events the band shell and pavilion. But why stop at just one great park?

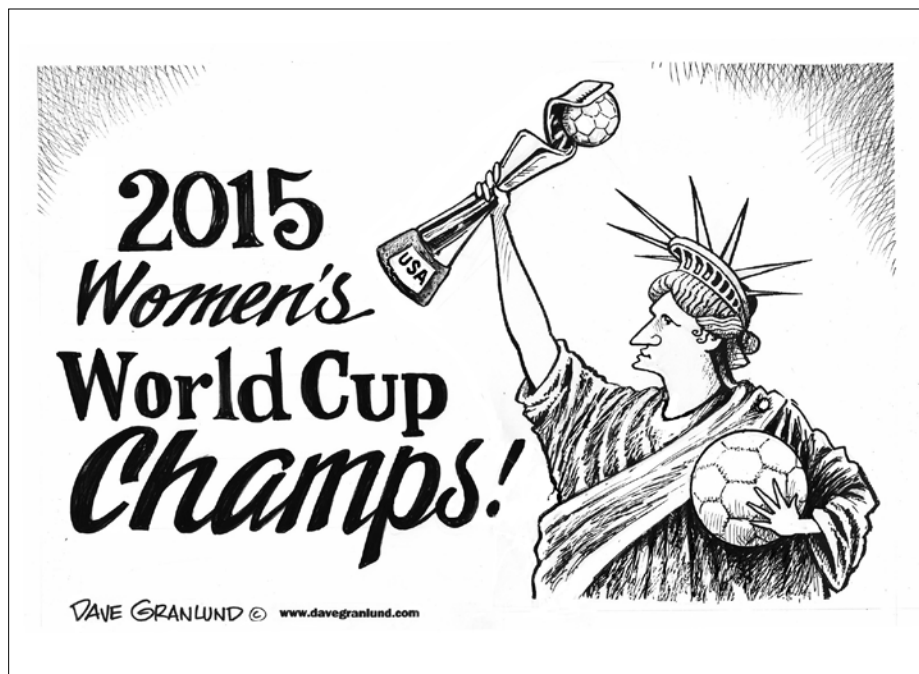
The Parks and Recreation Department is considering improvements to Wade Park in Feeding Hills. Currently, it’s just an open field and a basketball court. It’s in a neighborhood where there aren’t any playgrounds in walking distance — the nearest two schools are the high school and junior high. To build any sort of play structure would be an improvement, but the town should follow its own example at School Street Park and consider this an opportunity to do more.

There are so many innovative play structures out there that would add a unique feature to Agawam: climbing nets, giant slides, playscapes accessible to children with disabilities. Wade Park may not be the best location — there’s no room for the hundreds of parking spaces that the town has at School Street Park — but it’s worth a thought.

Later this summer, the town will open a dog park that promises to be a regional attraction in its own right. Not many towns have a fenced-in area devoted to dogs, with built-in equipment tailored to dogs, but covered in grass and large enough for big dogs to run around. Having a dog park is another feather in Agawam’s cap.

Parks of any kind protect open space, provide recreational options to families, and in many cases host sports leagues and camp programs. But the great parks, the parks that offer that one feature you can’t get anywhere else, make the town great.

What do you think? Send your letter to the editor to aan@turley.com.



JAY SPEAKS

Almost an Israeli

Following graduation from UMass, I took a job in Boston and had friends who graduated from different schools about the same and wanted to live in Boston. After apartment hunting we settled on a fourth floor walk-up in Back Bay Boston.

Other than working, our social life consisted of playing sports, going to sporting events, discussing sports in local bars and reading about sports in the Boston Globe or the Boston Herald. There were a great number of young women who also lived and worked in our neighborhood. We made contact with them and on occasion would go out on dates to the movies or local restaurants.

One of the women, after being in my company off and on, asked me if I would go with her to Zionist House. Zionist House was the local center for the Israeli Embassy’s mission in Boston. Boston being the Hub for New England. I agreed to go. It was as much social as it was political and business, and I enjoyed the ambience of the center.

After a few visits there and meeting a number of the Israeli workers I was approached by a senior official who invited me to join him for coffee and breakfast the following Sunday morning. I was intrigued by the invitation and quickly agreed.

On Sunday, I took the trolley down Commonwealth Avenue to the Public Garden and walked over to Zionist House. Ari met me at the door and we walked to their arboretum for coffee and breakfast. After a few minutes of casual conversation, Ari said, “Let me tell you why I asked for your company. We have done some research on you and know that your major field of study was in food technology at UMass. That concentrates on canning, freezing and dehydration of foods. We also found that your thesis had to do with baked beans, and that recently you have been working in the area of milk inspection.”

By this time in his recitation, I was concerned: “Why are these Israelis checking up on me?”

Ari went on: “As you know Jay, we have just gone through two years of bitter conflict with many Arab nations. Our future as a nation is now secure. Now, we are seeing a flood of immigration into our country and many of these are young families. Let me tell you how we see you fitting into our plans.

“Here in Boston, we have several fish processing plants owned by our government and managed by local people. We have accumulated a great amount of food processing equipment. It is our govern-

ment’s wish to build a baby formula plant to serve the great number of babies that are being born now in Israel. I see you as an important instrument in the creation of that plant and its processes.”

I was astounded. Not only did they know everything about me, but here they were offering me an opportunity to join a new nation, create an important plant for a segment of the population, and who knew what else might be in store for me?

I had a great number of questions, including, where would the plant be? Did he have engineering to construct it? I was partially skilled. Did he have others to work there? Etc. Finally, I got to the most important question ... When would this happen?

Ari looked rather impatiently at me and said, “Jay, we leave from Logan tonight and the ship leaves from South Boston with our equipment, also tonight.”

I swallowed hard, thought for about five seconds and said, “Count on me. Tell me where to meet you.”

Although I was living in Back Bay, I still had a great amount of my stuff at my mother’s place in Brookline. I picked up my car in Back Bay and drove out to my mom’s. I was thinking about all the people I had to say goodbye to as I packed my belongings. As I got to the last drawer in the bureau, my mother came through the door.

“What are you doing? Where are you going?” she said.

“Mom, I’m leaving for Israel. I was offered a lifetime opportunity to set up a baby formula plant there.”

Mom said, “You can’t leave me. Dad just died. Marilyn is leaving, and I’ll be all alone. Israel will have to make do without you. I need you here!”

I sat down. Maybe I was moving too fast. Can I walk away from my family? It’s not wartime, I served my time for that. On the other hand, this opportunity is just terrific and they really want me. My mom didn’t stop, she was putting my clothes back in the closet and drawers. Heck, I can go without all this stuff. No, I can’t walk away. It isn’t right!

Anyway, I called Ari at Zionist House. I told him I couldn’t go. He was very gracious and said he understood. If anything changed, just call. I never went back to Zionist House. The several times that I went to Israel, I never looked up the baby formula plant.

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City Council meeting agenda

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Monday, July 13, 7 p.m.

- A. Roll call
- B. Moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Citizen's speak time
- D. Minutes
- 1. Regular council meeting – June 15, 2015
- 2. Special council meeting – June 23, 2015
- E. Declaration from council president
- F. Presentation of Petitions and Resolutions
 - 1. TR-2015-30- A Resolution requesting the installation of "No Parking" signs along School Street, Corey Street and Alhambra Circle South in designated spots (Referred to Community Relations Committee) (Councilor Bitzas) (Tabled 6/15/15)
 - 2. TR-2015-32- A Resolution requesting the Agawam City Council petition for the enactment of Special Municipal Legislation concerning Special Police Officers in the town of Agawam (Mayor) (Referred to Legislative Committee)
 - 3. TR-2015-33- A Resolution appropriating from the Community Preservation Fund and authorizing the expenditure of Community Preservation Funds for the purchase and installation of dedication plaque at School Street Park (CPA) (Referred to Community Relations Committee)
 - 4. TR-2015-34- A Resolution to proclaim Main Street a Purple Heart Trail (Mayor) (Referred to Community Relations Committee)
 - 2. TR-2015-35- A Resolution to increase the authorized bond amount for the new track, field and school locker facility at the Agawam High School (Mayor) (To be withdrawn by Mayor per email dated June 24, 2015)
- G. Report of council committees
- H. Elections
- I. Public hearings
- J. Old Business
 - 1. TO-2015-30- Voucher List \$1,188.00 for BoardPq's Annual User Fee (Council)
- K. New business: Unavailable at press time.
- L. Any other matter that may legally come before the city council.
- Adjournment

Blood donors needed at drives this month

The Red Cross is urging eligible donors to give blood this month, to help offset a seasonal decline in donations and prevent a shortage this summer.

Blood drives in Agawam include July 21, noon to 5 p.m., at Sacred Heart Church, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, and July 31, noon to 6 p.m., at the Agawam Fire Department, 800 Main St.

Blood drives in neighboring towns include July 26, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Daily Grind, 568 College Highway, Southwick; and July 30, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Multicultural Community Services, 3 State St., Westfield.

During June, July and August, there are about two fewer donors than needed at each Red Cross blood drive. This can add up to more than 100,000 fewer donations during the summer. Many schools that host blood drives are out of session, and vacation schedules can make regular donors less available — both contributing to the seasonal decline.

Donors of all blood types — especially those with types AB, O negative, A negative and B negative — are needed to help ensure blood products are available to hospital patients this summer. Type AB donors have the universal plasma type, which can be given to patients of all blood types. Plasma helps maintain blood pressure and supplies critical proteins for clotting immunity. It is often needed for burn, trauma and cancer patients.

To make an appointment to give blood, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 800-RED CROSS (733-2767).



The Floyd Patterson Band will perform at the July 15 SummerFest concert at School Street Park. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Floyd Patterson plays SummerFest on July 15

The SummerFest concert scheduled for Wednesday, July 15, at 7 p.m. at School Street Park in Agawam will feature the Floyd Patterson Band. As leader of the group, Floyd Patterson II provides gritty lead vocals and world heavyweight funky bass lines that work the crowd.

Formed in 1986, the Floyd Patterson Band has been regarded by many over the years to be a Pioneer Valley favorite. Having gained accolades from local entertainment readers' polls throughout the years, Patterson takes his audiences seriously. His concept in performance is to "connect immediately with a crowd" and give them that "New Year's Eve" energy all night long. His stage dynamics have won over audiences of every age and venue since 1985. Whether it be silky smooth standards or upbeat contemporary jams, he finds a way to get them up and moving.

Band members include Patterson, bass and vocals; Adam Call, saxophone, since 2007; LaDawn Owens, vocals, since 2005; Marquis Rowtham, drums and vocals, since 2004; Luther Johnson III, lead guitar and vocals, since 1993.

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Tractors sought for Historical Assn. show

Quite a few tractors are used in the cultivation of the fields at E. Cecchi Farms, but even more are being sought to join them for a benefit tractor show at the Feeding Hills farm on Sunday, Aug. 23. On that day, the farm, at 1131 Springfield St., will play host to a tractor show to celebrate Agawam's agricultural heritage and raise funds for the Agawam Historical Association.

The farm plans on showing several of its own tractors, almost every one in regular use on the farm. While many operations are exclusively "red" (International Harvester) or "green" (John Deere), E. Cecchi Farms is diverse, with tractors of several makes (International Harvester, Massey Ferguson, Ford, Allis Chalmers, Case International and John Deere) and a range of sizes from the 13-horsepower Farmall Cub to the massive 167-horsepower International Harvester 3588 2+2 articulated tractor.

The show is being organized to raise funds for the Agawam Historical Association. The association operates the Agawam Historical and Fire House Museum in the former Fire Station No. 3 on Elm Street, and the circa 1757 Thomas Smith House at 251 N. West St. in Feeding Hills.

Show organizers are inviting all area tractor owners to exhibit their machines, new or old. All makes, models and conditions are welcome. Contact David Cecchi at 413-789-3236 or cecco@davidcecchi.com for details.



One of the tractors that will appear at the Aug. 23 Tractor Show at E. Cecchi Farms in Feeding Hills to benefit the Agawam Historical Association. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Troop 185 can, bottle drive

Boy Scout Troop 185 will hold a can and bottle drive on Saturday, July 11. Drop-off is in front of the Agawam First Baptist Church, 760 Main St., from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds from the event will help defray the cost of campouts and other scout functions.

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FAITH MATTERS

Sabbath and worship in summer

Families are changing. Summers are changing. Gone are the lazy days of waking up whenever I felt ready to and spending my days doing whatever I pleased. Yes, I grew up, but this is what I wish for my children. While our schedule relaxes in the summer, it is still a schedule.

So how does this relaxed schedule translate into a summer of faith for my kids? For your kids? For the kids in our church family? My role in our church requires that I arrive early to prepare faith-building experiences for learners of all ages. Therefore, our Sunday mornings during the school year begin with my hustling my own kiddos out the door. Days and nights and even weekends during the school year are packed with events, activities, practices and meetings, so one of the gifts summer provides is a less hectic Sabbath from the rigidity of the schedule.

The word "Sabbath" comes from the Hebrew word Shabbat, which means "to rest." Does this equate to a vacation from faith? We just had our first summer worship service last week, so we are experiencing the transition that many churches face this time of year. Many families choose to take a "vacation" from attending over the summer months. The summer struggle is real, so how do we respond? Can a family reflect on the wonder and beauty of God's creation on a long bike ride through the woods? Is this somehow less valid than singing from the pew? Can we find rest in spending time with those that we love, building relationships by really talking and



Janet Brown

listening to one another? Can we continue leaning in to God while we make memories honoring the people in our lives that are truly gifts from God?

C.S. Lewis once said, "The perfect church service would be one we were almost unaware of. Our attention would have been on God." There is no denying that fellowship with other Christians is essential in our growth, sharing worship and learning within the church is critical in giving us a larger faith family. God calls us to live in community. How do we allow some flexibility in our summer faith walks to match our need to slow down?

I just read an article titled "The State of Family Ministry." The conclusions were not surprising. Families are changing. Learning is changing, and our society is changing in the midst of technology. These changes have ramifications in our churches, and in our homes. If we go to church to prepare us to interact with the divine God all week, perhaps it's not the act of sitting in the pew that matters so deeply. Perhaps the significance lies in our being changed by meeting with God in whatever faith adventures our Sabbath holds ... all week long. Whether you choose to worship from the pew or from a less traditional venue this summer, I wish you Sabbath moments that fill your heart and life up to overflowing with the love and grace of God.

Janet Brown is the director of children and family ministries at Agawam Congregational Church.

QUARRY ■ from page 1

He confirmed the teen suffered from severe injuries, but could not elaborate further. Southwick Police were the first responders on the scene. They contacted fire, EMT and rescue personnel. The quarry is commonly accessed from an opening on Feeding Hills Road in Southwick (on Route 57), just over the Agawam line.

The safety officer for Southwick Police, Sgt. Kirk Sanders, said people often enter the area and hike through to access the Metacomet Trail.

Though they cannot be seen from the road, Sanders says there should be signage discouraging people from entering the quarry area.

"It's very dangerous there with mostly different shaped rocks," said Sanders. "There is also a steep cliff that has resulted in some falls with people who are climbing or hiking in the area."

The quarry is actually private property, and there are some no-trespassing signs surrounding the quarry. Sirois said Agawam Fire Department has responded to three falls in the past three years at the location.

"It's definitely a dangerous place," said Sanders. "There is a gate near the edge of the woods, but people find ways around it. A lot of people try to go through that quarry area to access the Metacomet. But there are other ways to access the trail."

MOTEL ■ from page 1

Fire Department includes combustible debris found on the front stairs. Scrap wood was also found along with other combustible materials.

An electrical room on the premises was unlocked and a plastic bag was draped over the wires in some of the breaker boxes. There were also combustible materials on top of the main transformer.

White's inspection yielded numerous deficiencies through the state sanitary code. White says carpeting must be replaced in all but one room. The replacement includes common areas and stairwells.

Numerous doors need improvements and repairs. Several walls need painting and patching. Showers are in need of re-grouting.

White also found evidence of insects infesting some rooms, including cockroaches. White requested the issue be addressed by a licensed pest control professional.

White also found evidence of soiled furniture that must be removed and stale food on the walls in the common area.

Yoo could not be reached for comment regarding the reports, and Associate So-

licitor Patrick Toney said the town is doing everything it can to ensure the business complies to the re-mediation orders issued by the town.

"We will be pursuing legal action if necessary," said Toney. "For now, they have the orders and there will be additional inspections on the property."

A follow-up inspection took place Monday, July 6, but the reports were not available prior to press time.

Toney declined to say if the town would pursue closing down the motel, saying there is a particular process the town is required to go through.

"Right now, the motel is still open," said Toney.

The original investigation into the motel began with complaints lodged by some long-term occupants who complained of bedbugs. The guests were moved to a different location and the town gave Yoo a 48-hour notice that it would inspect his property.

Also noted in the inspection reports was a violation stemming from a previous inspection on Dec. 12, 2014. Evacuation plans were not properly posted in every room.

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On the last day of school, Clark School first-grade teacher Joyce Rheume poses with her last class of students. Rheume retired at the end of June after a 28-year teaching career in Agawam. With Rheume are, from left, Donna Carrier, Mackenzie Surreira, Kali Moguin, Maxim Savonin, and Patrick Keating, all age 7. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY MIKE LYDICK

TEACHING ■ from page 1

“Teaching was a daily challenge, with never a dull moment,” she said. “Each day took on a new adventure. I will miss many of my colleagues, the wonderful families I met, and especially the kids.”

What Rheume won’t miss is taking work home, the hours of preparation, spending her own money on school supplies, and the endless hours of paperwork. Still, teaching was always the career she wanted. Growing up in Agawam, her earliest memory of wanting to teach was when she was eight.

“I’d play school for hours with the neighborhood children on my parent’s carport. I adored my first-grade teacher, Mrs. Eggbert. She was my inspiration,” recalled Rheume.

Graduating from AHS in 1972, she began her teaching career in 1987. Prior to teaching, Rheume worked as a paraprofessional at Phelps School.

“Being a para as well as substitute teaching was the perfect match for me, as I had a young family,” she said. “The demands for teaching were too much until my children were all in school.”

Hired as a preschool teacher, she worked at Phelps, Robinson Park, and Clark elementary schools as well as the then-new Early Childhood Center. Rheume also designed and taught a summer program for four years for special education students.

Those skills were tapped when she began teaching Clark’s first integrated, language-based classroom. After 15 years teaching special education, Rheume transferred to a regular classroom position — but not before taking a year out to help initiate a new literacy coaching position at Robinson Park.

Award is proudest moment

In 2005, Rheume was honored with an Excellence in Teaching award from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation for going “above and beyond” the curriculum. The award is her proudest moment, primarily because she was chosen by her colleagues.

Her other proud moments include the thanks from parents and when former students return to visit and tell her how first grade was their favorite — and how much they miss her.

Principal Shelley Russell said Rheume will be “greatly missed” by staff and students at Clark. Russell said Rheume is the type of teacher who “embraces new learning and wants to implement the best practices available to teaching.”

Russell called Rheume a “lifelong learner” who consistently perfected the craft of teaching. “She learned new practices and used her knowledge to be sure all

of her students were learning and enjoying school.”

Lyn O’Connell, a paraprofessional who worked with Rheume for many years, said Rheume was a teacher who “truly made a difference” at the school: “Joyce taught children warmly and was always very generous with her time. She was always going above and beyond for the kids.”

Rheume said she decided to retire this year because she could take advantage of the district’s early retirement incentive that is based on age and years of service.

“It was a win-win for me,” she said

Helping at WSU

Rheume has retired from teaching in Agawam, but not from the teaching profession. In addition to getting to spend more time with her grandchildren, family, and friends, she also will be working at Westfield State University as a student teacher supervisor.

Having worked with many student teachers throughout her career, she will now help others launch their teaching careers. Russell called Rheume an “excellent” teacher trainer.

“Joyce is fair, but has high expectations for herself and for those who are trained by her,” Russell said. Russell, who has seen the teachers Rheume has trained, said Rheume “produces a well-prepared teacher” for the competitive teaching profession. “Joyce understands the rigors and demands expected in a classroom today — and what it takes to be a successful teacher.”

Inspiring young people to join the teaching ranks became more personal to Rheume when her daughter Nicole Abel followed in her footsteps. Abel, who began her teaching career in Ludlow three years ago, has taught second grade at Robinson Park for the past two years.

“I’m extremely proud of Nicole being a teacher. I feel as though I may have inspired her, since she was totally immersed in my prep work and always helped me out. She told me she wanted to teach because it seemed to really work for me and our family. I feel honored she decided to model herself after me.”

Rheume is one of three Clark teachers who retired in June. The other two are second grade teacher Margaret Bitzas (23 years) and third grade teacher Kathleen King (22 years).

As Rheume prepared to leave Clark School for the final time as one of its teachers, she had no regrets. “I’ve spent many years working with the best of the best. I’m proud to have been an employee of Agawam Public Schools — which always puts children first.”

Public Safety

FIRE LOG

The Agawam Fire Department responded to 60 EMS calls for June 30 to July 3, and the following emergency response calls.

On June 30 at 3:49 p.m., the department responded to South Westfield Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On June 30 at 4:06 p.m., the department responded to South Westfield Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On June 30 at 9:08 p.m., the department responded to Autumn Street with no incident found on arrival at dispatch address.

On July 1 at 1:52 p.m., the department responded to Leonard Street to assist invalid.

On July 1 at 5:24 p.m., the department responded to Robin Ridge Drive for unintentional transmission of alarm, other.

On July 1 at 8:45 p.m., the department responded to Silver Street for outside rubbish fire, other.

On July 2 at 3:44 p.m., the department responded to Feeding Hills Road for high-angle rescue.

On July 2 at 7:33 p.m., the department responded to Meadowbrook Manor for alarm system sounded due to malfunction.

On July 3 at 6:08 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On July 3 at 12:05 a.m., the department responded to Route 5 South, was dispatched and canceled en route.

On July 3 at 8:40 p.m., the department responded to Cardinal Drive to assist invalid.

On July 4 at 7:05 p.m., the department responded to Main Street for lockout.

On July 4 at 7:56 a.m., the department responded to Pineview Circle for CO detector activation due to malfunction.

On July 4 at 9:23 p.m., the department responded to Pomeroy Street for unauthorized burning.

On July 4 at 9:41 p.m., the department responded to Springfield Street for alarm system sounded due to malfunction.

On July 5 at 3:57 p.m., the department responded to Cleveland Street for motor vehicle accident with injuries.

On July 5 at 6:53 p.m., the department responded to Kanawha Avenue for citizen complaint.

On July 5 at 10:17 p.m., the department responded to River Road for citizen complaint.

On July 6 1:30 p.m., the department responded to Duclos Drive for smoke detector activation, no fire — unintentional.

On July 6 at 1:33 p.m., the department responded to South Westfield Street for motor vehicle accident with no injuries.

On July 6 at 4:29 p.m., the department responded to North Street for fire, other.

On July 6 at 11:33 p.m., the department responded to Riverview Avenue for heat from short circuit (wiring), defective worn.

POLICE LOG

The Agawam Police Department responded to 326 calls for service from June 30 to July 6. The department made two arrests. Those arrested will appear at a future date in Westfield District Court and are innocent until proven guilty.

Friday, July 3

Edward Amato, 51, of 46 Grove St., Agawam, was arrested on charges of operating under the influence of liquor second offense, operating a motor vehicle with license suspended subsequent offense, and negligent operation of a motor vehicle.

Monday, July 6

Giovanni Wood, 24, of 224 Westland St., 2nd Floor, Hartford, Conn., was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct, trespassing, resisting arrest, and 2 counts of assault and battery on a police officer.

Farmers market increases SNAP benefits

WESTFIELD — The Westfield Farmers’ Market at the Episcopal Church of the Atonement in Westfield, announced that they have increased benefits to SNAP customers. With funds from a grant from Citizens Involved in Sustaining Agriculture, the Westfield market is adding \$5 each week to transactions by SNAP customers. A \$5 transaction will provide the SNAP customers \$10 worth of credit toward the purchase

of fresh produce, vegetables and food for their family table.

The market is open every Thursday from 12:30 to 6 p.m. on the lawn of church at 36 Court St., Westfield, on the corner of Court and Pleasant streets. Free parking is available. For more information, call 413-562-5461, ext. 101, email farmersmarket@atonementwestfield.net, or visit www.westfieldfarmersmarket.net.



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Youth

Campers to perform locally written plays this month

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This summer's first production is "Happily Ever What!?" a mixed-up modern fairytale fantasy. This original comedy pits some modern-day heroines against time tested fairytale villains as they try to sort out their sudden appearance in a high school setting not even the Grimm Brothers could imagine. Written by Agawam's Marilene Allen, the fast-paced comedy will be performed

July 10-12.

Following the next week is "Quest for Aladdin's Lamp," an original sequel to "Aladdin" by Lyle Pearsons of Agawam, scheduled for July 17-19. Pearsons also wrote the Camp C selection "Cutlass of the Sea" for the older (ages 10-15) actors. The play is based on the 16th century Irish female pirate Grace O'Malley and will run July 31 to Aug. 2.

The final play will be "The Snoop Troop Agency" by Southwick's Margie Secora. This mystery comedy of a young detective agency trying to save two spinsters haunted home is scheduled for Aug 7-9.

Tickets for all plays are \$9 and may be reserved at 413-789-2026. For more information on times, directions and other activities and upcoming shows visit www.reddoortheatre.com.

Agawam High School term 4 honor roll

The following students have been named to the 2014-15 term 4 honor roll at Agawam High School.

Grade 12 (Class of 2015): Nicolas Abodeeb, Alyssa Askins, Elijah Bard, Christopher Basile, Tahir Blair, Angelo Brignoli, Brittany Busco, Dominic Calcasola, Shayne Castonguay, Matthew Cavallo, Lexi Cears, Nicole Christian, Zachary Circosta, Andrew Colson, William Conklin, Brandon Cruz, Cameron Czerpak, Jonathan Day, Amanda Delore, Jacqueline Donahue, Dalton Drummond, Megan Dustin, Alyssa Eggleston, Sumeyye Elevli, Kali Evangelista, Carly Evelyn, Marisa Ewing, Rachel Fancy, Megan Farwell, Emily Feid, Robert Fontaine, David Gage, Katalina Gomez, Michael Goyette, Sarah Graves, Teresa Graziano, Monique Groux, Lauren Hartmann, Tyler Heer, Samantha Henry, Nicholis Hope, Paul Hotaling, Heather Howe, Alec Iannuzzi, Emily Jefferson, Taylor Kareta, James Karl-Morin, Brodie Keene, Brenden Knowlton, Haley Kozlak, Carly LaBelle, Casandra Land, Braden Lucia, Brenden Mahoney, Viktoriya Maklakova, Khoulood Mandour, Raffaele Manzi, Kaitlyn Martin, Stephen Mateus, Victoria McCullough, Kyla McGurn, Angelina Melloni, Joseph Mercadante, Irina Mita, Emily Murphy, Jesse Near, Jaclyn Neilsen, Gianna Nettis, Erblina Nuhui, Vincent Panuccio, Aliaksandra Papova, Roshni Patel, Anna Pellegrino, Emily Percy, Cory Pfau, Megan Phu, Jessica Pioggia, Haley Piotrowski, Matthew Plumador, Michael Potter, Jordan Reed, Michael Reed, Luke Rheault, James Ridenour, Lauren Rinaldi, Cameron Rivest, Daniel Robie, Veronica Rovatti, Veronica Rubeck, Meaghan Sanschagrin, Benjamin Schiff, Allison Schwarz, Alissa Serra, Amanda Smith, Jennifer Stempel, Andrew Strong, Alexandria Stuetzel, Keegan Sullivan, Paul Taft, Brian Thomas Jr, Ellen Vyce, Peyton Watford, Macklen Wier, Philip Woods, Christopher Wyckoff, Zachary Wysocki.

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Lioness Scholars



The Agawam Lioness Club awarded three scholarships to graduating seniors May 4 at the annual meeting held at Casa di Lisa in Feeding Hills. The Lioness Club raises money through fundraisers to award the scholarships as well as donating to several organizations for eye research. Pictured above, from left, are Mickey Bandanna, Lioness Club member; Teresa Grazing and Allison Schwarz, who were awarded a scholarships for students entering the medical field; and Beverly Tetreault, Lioness Club member. Not pictured is Cameron Rivest, who was awarded a scholarship for a student entering the teaching field. SUBMITTED PHOTO

CAMPUS NOTES

American International College: Emily Burleson, of Feeding Hills, received the Ingenuity Award, presented to a student who has shown a high level of creativity, uniqueness, and ingenuity in his or her design and delivery of programs. William Cotroni, Paige Preston, Mikhail Klakotskiy, Melanie Asta-Ferrero, Kyle Mutti, Daniel Kaptyug, Cristina Dubinevici and Alexander MacMillan, of Agawam; and Sara Mirolli, Nicole Gonzalez, Emily Burleson, Emil Patel, Connor Liebel and Alexander Watkins, of Feeding Hills, were named to the spring semester dean's list.

College of Saint Rose: Lauren Booth, of Agawam, was named to the spring semester dean's list.

Springfield College: Regina Gallerani,

Courtney Rivest and Oleg Yermakov, of Agawam; and Colleen Keeley, David Farwell, Brian Piquette, Nicholas Vecchiarelli, Anthony Lucci and Edrine Olowo, of Feeding Hills, graduated at ceremonies held recently.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock: John Scobie, of Agawam, was named to the spring semester dean's list and the spring semester chancellor's list.

University of New Hampshire: Hannah Pender, of Agawam, and Meaghan Foley, of Feeding Hills, were named to the spring semester dean's list.

University of Rhode Island: Carly N. Michel, of Agawam, and Kelly A. Grindle, of Feeding Hills, graduated at ceremonies held in May.

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Fountains of youth



Nico Paiva, of Feeding Hills, cools off at the new School Street Spray Park during its first week in operation. SUBMITTED PHOTOS





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Lyla Solowinski, 1, climbs up the stairs on the playground.

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Most of the funding for the park — both the first phase finished in 2007 and the second phase that opened July 1 — came from the Community Preservation Act. Cohen said that for approximately \$20 a year, residents have received a \$4 million park.

The second half of the park was completed during the past year. New amenities include a pavilion with a concession stands for events, a second playground for the park, a new splash park, and the band shell.

There is additional parking for the access, which is along Corey Street.

The event was attended by numerous city councilors and School Committee members, as well as state Sen. Donald Humason, R-Westfield, and state Rep. Nicholas Boldyga, R-Southwick.

Cohen credited Berkshire Design for its work creating the plans to the park, and Mountain View Landscaping for executing it. He also credited Parks and Recreation Director Christopher Sparks for shepherding both phases of the project to completion.

Council President Christopher Johnson, who was serving as mayor when Agawam purchased the 50-acre School Street property from the state, congratulated the town's subsequent administrations for doing an excellent job turning the former prison farm into a park.

"Agawam finally has a first-class park," said Johnson.



Agawam Mayor Richard Cohen is joined by city councilors, School Committee members, and state representatives at the July 1 grand opening.



A second playground, geared toward toddlers, is part of the second phase of School Street Park.
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Agawam Lion John O'Hare serves up some burgers at the July 1 grand opening.



The second phase includes a new pavilion with a concession stand and bathrooms.



Committee members and other local officials to celebrate the opening of the band



Davey the Clown performs in the new pavilion at School Street Park during the park's grand opening July 1. In the background, concertgoers get ready for the first SummerFest concert at the new band shell.



and opening.



The new spray park was a big hit for local children.



Zoe Douthwright, 2, gets ready for the first concert of the summer.



Good Acoustics performs at the new School Street Park band shell last Wednesday night.

SPORTS

SOCCKER

Summer season preparing Brownies for fall

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – The action continues to be competitive in the Pioneer Valley Summer Soccer League.

The Agawam “A” boys soccer team is looking good, but the results are not in the standings with a 1-3-1 record to start the summer.

Coach Joe Sciartelli said he likes what he is seeing from the Brownies and is looking forward to seeing what they can do this fall.

Among varsity players spending the summer with the “A” team are Anthony Sciartelli, Cam Ver-ville, Tym Regnier, Luis Nieves, Dan Korotich, Brendan Garvey, and Eugene Cone.

“This is a group of players that I have been helping coach for the past 11 years,” said Sciartelli. “They play well together and I really think they are going to be able to do a lot this fall.”

However, the summer team features many more players, including players moving up to varsity from the junior varsity level

and players in multiple sports. With the varying lineups in the summer, Agawam has been using a lot of different configurations in the field, focusing on preparing for the fall rather than how well they finish in the standings.

“We are making sure that everyone has an opportunity to play and that everyone is getting touches on the ball,” said Sciartelli. “We also have players trying different positions. The boys are doing really well. I like what I have been seeing so far.”

Agawam’s lone win this summer has come against Granby, a Division 4 high school town.

Agawam has had some tough matchups against towns with excellent programs, including Lud-low and Wilbraham so far this summer.

The Agawam boys also have a “B” team that is playing several other “B” teams and smaller towns. Agawam’s B team is 0-4-1.

On the “A” squad, Steven Ludtke, who saw limited action for the varsity last season as the backup goalie to Alex Sours, has



The Agawam boys summer soccer league was in action last Wednesday night against Northampton at Agawam Middle School. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

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BASEBALL



Agawam pitcher Nick Liimatainen (4) makes a delivery to home plate. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY DAVID HENRY SWEET-DOGPHOTOS.COM



Infielder Will Noll (37) prepares to make a throw to first base.

Agawam battles with Belchertown

By Tim Peterson

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

BELCHERTOWN- The Belchertown 9-10-year-olds All-Star baseball team has captured the Massachusetts District 2 Little League championship title in two of the best three years. The members of this year’s squad are hoping to put another championship banner up on the left field wall at Hulmes-Warner Mini Fenway Park.

Belchertown improved their round robin record to a perfect 3-0 following a 12-2 home victory against Agawam under the lights

on Sunday night.

“I showed my team the banners on the wall during a practice before the start of the tournament,” said Belchertown manager John Mankowsky. “I wasn’t sure what type of a team that we would have this year, but I just told my players that it would be great if they could put another banner up on the wall. We’ve been playing very well so far, but we still do have a lot of tough games ahead of us.”

The round robin game between Agawam and Belchertown was fairly close until the bottom of the fourth inning. That’s when

Belchertown scored five runs and they would add three more runs in the following inning. The contest was stopped at that point because of the 10-run mercy rule.

Belchertown, who’s in first place in Pool A, also defeated Longmeadow and Northampton in their first two tournament games. They were scheduled to close out the round robin portion of the tournament schedule with a road game against Amherst on Tuesday night. There is a very good chance that Belchertown will be hosting a semifinal game

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GOLF

Garvin wins Junior Connecticut PGA Championship qualifier

By Dave Forbes

Turley Publications Sports Staff Writer

MIDDLEFIELD, Conn. - Angela Garvin, 14, of Feeding Hills, won the Junior Connecticut 2015 PGA Championship qualifier at Lyman Orchards Golf Course, shooting 77 and 74 to win the event by seven shots.

This was the second straight year that Garvin won the Junior Connecticut title. She is the first female to accomplish that feat.

Garvin had an up-and-down start to her first round with a bogey on the first hole, followed by a birdie at the second.

After shooting par on the third and fourth holes, Garvin bogeyed three of the next four holes and was sitting at +3 through nine.

Garvin started bogey, bogey on 10 and 11 to fall to +5, but she finished off the opening round with seven straight pars to finish with a +5 77.

Just like in her first round, Garvin started the second with a bogey at one and a birdie at 2 to stay at +5 over for the tournament and even on the day.

She would then proceed to par the next five holes before making bogey at eight to go to +6.

Garvin made two more bogeys at 11 and 12 to go to +8 before finishing her round with a birdie at 16 and a bogey at 18.

Garvin was not the only competitor from Western Massachusetts to take part in the tournament. Emma McCloskey, of Palmer, finished seventh at +19,



Angela Garvin, of Feeding Hills, won her second straight Junior Connecticut PGA Championship recently. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS SUBMITTED PHOTO

while Taylor Sanburn, of Wilbraham, tied for 11th at +30.

Garvin now heads off to Texas for the national PGA Championship in August.

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at beautiful Hulmes-Warner Mini Fenway Park on Thursday night. The District Championship is scheduled to be played on Saturday.

The members of the Belchertown 9-10-year-olds All-Star baseball team are Tyler McDonald, Zach Buffone, Caleb Boyko, Jack Dinapoli, Riley Breen, Brady Perkins, Shay O'Neill, Ty Bogdanovich, Joey Mankowsky, Adam Campbell, Andrew Fijal, and Taylor Hanson.

While Belchertown had won their first three round robin games without very much trouble, Agawam lost all four of their round robin games.

"We didn't have very much luck in the tournament this year," said Agawam manager Rob Benard. "These kids had never played a game on this field before, so it was a very good experience for them."

The members of the Agawam All-Star team are: Rocco Persico, Cohen Manekas, Jackson McLaughlin, Nick Liimatainen, Chris Rondinelli, Matt Benard, Devon Giorgini, Will Noll, Matt DiLullo, Michael Smith, Joe Liquori, Chris Johnson and Anthony Elias.

"They only got to play baseball together for a couple of weeks, but this is a great group of kids," Benard said. "They're still learning about the game of baseball and I hope that they continue to play the sport in the future."

Belchertown raced out to a 4-0 lead

against Agawam in the bottom of the first inning, as they sent ten batters to the plate.

With runners on second and third, an infield hit by Boyko drove home Belchertown's first run of the ballgame. Then Perkins, who went 2-for-3, followed with a two-run double to left field. Perkins scored Belchertown's fourth run on another infield hit by Mankowsky.

Agawam put together a rally in the top of the second inning on a single to right field by Benard and a walk by Noll.

Fijal, who made his first start of the tournament for Belchertown, ended that threat with his fifth strikeout of the contest.

Agawam did score a pair of runs in the following inning.

Persico, who drew a leadoff walk, scored Agawam's first run on the back end of a double steal play.

Then a line drive single to center field by McLaughlin drove home another run making the score 4-2.

Belchertown put the game out of reach by scoring five runs in the bottom of the fourth inning.

O'Neill, who led the Belchertown offensive attack with three hits, began the rally with a two-run double to right field. Another run crossed the plate following a bases loaded walk by Perkins. The other two runs scored on ground ball outs by Campbell and Breen.

After scoring two more runs with one out in the fifth inning, Perkins ended the contest with a RBI double to right field.

On the bump



PALMER - Pitcher Mark Guidetti, of Agawam, was on the mound for the Longmeadow Warriors in their Tri-County League game at St. Joseph's last week. The Saints won the game, 2-1. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTO BY DAVID HENRY SWEETDOGPOTOS.COM

Belchertown tops Agawam in extras

By Tim Peterson

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

BELCHERTOWN - Colby Masse, who's a returning member of the Belchertown 11-12-year-olds All-Star Little League baseball team, chose the right time to get his first base hit in this year's Massachusetts District 2 Round Robin tournament.

With the bases loaded and no outs in the bottom of the seventh inning, Masse lined the first pitch thrown by Agawam relief pitcher Connor Twohig into left field. It gave Belchertown a thrilling 9-8 walk-off extra inning victory at beautiful, Hulmes-Warner Mini Fenway Park, last Tuesday night, June 30.

"I just swung at an inside fastball and drove it into left field for the game-winning hit," said Masse, who was congratulated by all of his teammates. "I've had a few walk-off hits during the regular season, but this was probably my biggest one yet. It just feels awesome and it's an honor to be a member of this team."

Belchertown, who lost to Agawam in extra innings in the round robin tournament a year ago, entered last Tuesday's game having split their first two round robin games against Westfield American and Westfield National.

"We lost to Agawam 7-6 in extra innings last year, but fortunately the outcome went the other way this time," said Belchertown manager Jon Endelos. "Our first four games in this tournament are against Westfield American, Westfield National, Agawam, and Longmeadow, who are all very good baseball teams. Winning two of the first three games is huge for us."

Belchertown also defeated Longmeadow 7-1 on their home field last Friday night.

The members of the Belchertown 11-12-year-olds All-Star team are: Owen Raines, Max Wojcik, Matt Bode, Tyler Laramee, Ryan Zawistowski, Gina Camerota, Zack Jenks, Graham Perlak, Chris Ingram, Austin Endelos, Jack Gelin, Jordan Talbot and Masse.

Belchertown was scheduled to host Gateway on Monday night before wrapping up round robin play by making a trip to Southampton on Wednesday night. The District semifinals are scheduled to be played on Saturday.

Agawam, who had outscored Southampton and Easthampton, 31-0, in their first two tournament games, suffered its first loss of the tournament against Belchertown.

"We knew Belchertown was a very good team and we also knew that this was going to be a very difficult game for us tonight," said Agawam manager Gerry "Boo" Smith. "It seems like every time that we play against them, the game goes into extra innings."

The members of the Agawam 11-12 year olds All-Star team are: Kade Blackack, Noah Britton, A.J. Dillard, Connor Feyre, Nathan Jodoin, Dawson Mansfield, Jermaine Norfleet, Laine Page, Peter Parrotta, Garret Pelchat, Michael Santore, James Chenevert and Twohig.

Agawam also defeated Longmeadow, 10-4, last Wednesday night and they lost, 7-5, against Westfield American last Friday night.

The score was tied at 8-8 entering the bottom of the seventh inning in last Tuesday's game.

Jenks began the Belchertown rally with a leadoff walk. Gelin followed with a perfect bunt hit putting runners at first and second base. Another walk by Laramee loaded the bases. That's when Masse stepped into the batter's box and delivered the game-winning hit on the first pitch.

Agawam built a 4-0 lead in their first three at-bats of the game.

With one out in the top of the first inning, Feyre hit a towering solo home run over the center field fence.

Agawam scored two more runs in the third inning on bases loaded walks by Santore and Pelchat. Another run crossed the plate in that frame following a throwing error by the Belchertown catcher.

Belchertown would close the gap to 4-3 in the home half of the inning.

Raines, who was Belchertown's starting pitcher, drove home the first run with a double to center field. Two more runs crossed the plate following a fielding error by the second baseman on a ground ball hit by Endelos.

A two-run homer by Feyre with one out in the top of the fourth inning increased Agawam's lead to 6-3.

Belchertown came storming back again in the bottom of the fourth.

After the first three batters reached base, Laramee was hit by a pitch forcing home the first run of the inning. A ground ball out to second by Masse plated another run before Perlak, who was a pinch runner, scored the tying run on a wild pitch. Laramee also crossed the plate following another wild pitch giving his team the lead for the first time at 7-6. Belchertown's fifth and final run of the frame scored on a throwing error by the Agawam catcher.

With one out in the top of the sixth inning, Page hit a two-run opposite field home run over the right field fence tying the score at 8-8.

Belchertown left two runners in scoring position in the home half of the inning, but they did push across the game-winning run in the following inning.

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Infielder Devin Giorgini (41) makes the long throw across the diamond. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY DAVID HENRY SWEETDOGPOTOS.COM



Infielder Matt Dilullo (40) uses his strength to throw the ball to first.

Juniors jump on Greenfield miscues

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM - The American Legion Junior league has just six teams, meaning teams will see each other multiple times.

The Junior Legion teams are serving in many cases as a feeder program to the Senior Legion teams.

Agawam's Junior Legion team has been playing for the past four years and this year, the team is having a rough season, but picked up a split in two games against Greenfield Post 81.

Last Friday evening, Agawam Post 185 picked up a 6-1 win over Greenfield.

Agawam would score four times in the first inning, taking advantage of errors by Post 81 to build a 4-0 lead.

From there, Agawam was able to take advantage of their bit lead and some good defense to keep a 4-1 lead until the seventh inning, when the Brownies were able to tack on two more runs to get the 6-1 lead.

Greenfield then traveled to Agawam for the second game in four days against Agawam. Post 185 was defeated 10-8 in a wildly offensive game.

The win was big for Greenfield as Post 81 picked up the top seed in the playoffs.

Agawam held a big lead in the game, going up 8-4 early in the game. Agawam

then coughed up six runs in a huge sixth inning for Post 81 in order to take the lead and the game. Greenfield pitching did not allow anything in the final two innings.

Despite a 4-6-1 record, Agawam is currently holding on to third place in the six-team field.

Agawam had won three straight to move into third place before dropping the game on Monday night. Agawam had also defeated Wilbraham over the weekend 9-1.

Agawam had games remaining against every other team in the league besides Greenfield. Greenfield beat Agawam 2-1 in their season series.

Agawam will be in action Thursday hosting Ludlow at 5:45 p.m. at School Street Park. Agawam has played Ludlow once this summer and scored their only tie of the season against them 6-6.

Agawam also played Ludlow the day before on the road.

The regular season will close this weekend for Agawam with a game Saturday against Chicopee and one Sunday afternoon at Taconic High School against Pittsfield.

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Sports

Agawam bats strike down Wilbraham

By Gregory A. Scibelli

Turley Publications Sports Correspondent

AGAWAM – After going back and forth and getting into a 5-5 tie, the Agawam Post 185 Senior American Legion baseball team struck for six unanswered runs and defeated Wilbraham on Monday night 11-5.

Tyler Heer pitched well and got the win in the game.

The Brownies got things going in the top of the first inning when Travis Pirello, a player from Southwick, had a walk and eventually came around to score on a base hit by Luke Rheault, making it 1-0 Agawam.

Heer started the fourth inning when he singled, setting up the top of the order. Heer would then get to score on a double by Brian Dozier. Dozier would then get caught stealing and a strikeout would eventually end the threat.

Griffin Gadreault and Rheault both walked to start the fifth inning. A double and an error would then lead to three runs scoring for Agawam's fifth run of the game.

The game then broke open in the top of the seventh inning.

It started out with a hit by pitch to Pirello and then a walk. Tym Regnier then socked a two-RBI double to break the game open. After three straight walks, Cam Rivest socked a hit to account for the 10th and 11th runs of the game to give Post 185 the 11-5 lead.

Agawam was then able to close it out in the bottom of the seventh to get the victory

and secure their third win in a row.

Agawam has greatly improved its standing in the 17-team District 2/3 American Legion league.

Post 185 was able to score a win over Longmeadow on Sunday morning, beating the Lancers 4-3 in tight early-morning game.

Agawam also had a 5-4 victory over Springfield Post 21.

The three victories have come after two straight losses against South Hadley and Ludlow and a tie against Aldenville.

Agawam is now 5-7-1 for the summer and had three games remaining heading into the end of the very condensed schedule.

After playing East Longmeadow and Greenfield, Agawam is scheduled to close out its regular season schedule Thursday at 5:45 p.m. against Amherst Post 148.

With the three straight wins, Agawam has greatly improved its standing. This year, the playoffs for District 2/3 will include all 17 teams.

The 16th and 17th seeded teams will play one play-in game. The winner will advance into the 16-team tournament. Every matchup will engage in a best-of-three game playoff series. Agawam is currently in 12th place, meaning it would play on the road for the first game of the series.

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been seeing a lot of time in the net this summer.

Sciartelli said Ludtke has a good chance of making an impression at the varsity level this fall.

Following the July 4 holiday, Agawam's "A" squad was back in action Wednesday night against East Longmeadow.

Coming up tomorrow night, Agawam will be at home at Agawam Middle School and will host Hampshire's "A" team. Agawam

will then be on a long road trip at Pittsfield on Monday evening. Both games are at 6:30 p.m.

Agawam's girls summer soccer teams are also doing well. The A team is only 2-3, but is holding on with the eighth seed for the tournament. The B team is in fourth place at 4-2 so far this summer.

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The Agawam boys summer soccer league team was in action last Wednesday night against Northampton at Agawam Middle School. TURLEY PUBLICATIONS PHOTOS BY GREGORY A. SCIBELLI

Park & Rec to sponsor Youth Field Hockey

AGAWAM - The Agawam Parks and Recreation Department, 1000 Suffield St., will sponsor a Youth Field Hockey program for girls in grades 1 through 8 for the 2015-2016 school year. Participants will learn the fundamental skills, techniques and strategies of field hockey, while practicing and playing in the program. Girls will be broken into four different divisions:

Grades 1 and 2 Mites: grades 3 and 4, Bantam; grades 5 and 6 Junior; grades 7 and 8, Senior. Early registration for all divisions is July 1 – July 31. Cost is \$75 for early registration for Mites and Bantam, \$100 for Junior and Senior. Late registration for all divisions is Aug. 3 – Aug. 21. Cost is \$100 for Mites and Bantam and \$125 for Junior and Senior.

Girls will meet from late August through October. Practices are held in the early evenings and games will be played against neighboring communities.

The Mite program will practice on Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m. for eight weeks beginning Sept. 10. Played at Stick Time, this is an opportunity for girls to get involved in field hockey and learn the fundamentals.

Players need to supply their own stick, goggles and mouthpiece.

Registration begins Wednesday, July 1, at the Parks and Recreation office at 1000

Suffield St. from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. In addition, there will be an evening registration at the Agawam Public Library –Wednesday, July 22, from 6 to 8 p.m.

A mandatory meeting for all players and parents will take place Monday, Aug. 3 at 7 p.m. at the Roberta Doering School cafeteria.

Youth golf program

AGAWAM - Agawam Parks and Recreation is holding registrations for its 2015 Junior Golf Program.

The program will take place on Wednesdays from July 8 through Aug. 19 with the program taking place at Agawam Municipal Golf Course, 128 Southwick St., Feeding Hills.

Golfers age 9-12 will play nine holes from 9 to 11 a.m. for a cost of \$79, while kids ages 13-17 will play 18 holes from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for \$99.

Lunch and beverage are included in the price.

Registration will be held at the Parks and Recreation office at 1000 Suffield St.

Participants are responsible for providing their own clubs, tees, balls, equipment and should bring plenty to drink on the course.

For more information on this program, please call Tony Roberto at 413-786-2194.

Putting for Paws' tournament to benefit T. J. O'Connor Center

SOUTH HADLEY - Dave's Soda & Pet City will host the Putting for Paws Golf Tournament to benefit Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control and Adoption Center on Tuesday, July 14, at The Ledges Golf Course.

This fundraiser will support Thomas J. O'Connor's mission of providing animal control services, and animal adoption to the Holyoke, Chicopee and greater Springfield area.

At \$100 per golfer, plus processing fees, the tournament is an affordable and fun opportunity to help with the everyday needs of the animals housed in the Thomas J. O'Connor building. Registration starts at 8 a.m. on July 14 and the tournament will start at 9 a.m. Goodie bags will be provided to all golfers and a post event barbeque-style lunch for golfers upon their return. Following the luncheon is an awards presentation and opportunity drawings.

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"This event started out as a Dave's employees/vendor outing and we thought it would be a great idea to open it up to the public so we could raise some money for our friends at T.J. O'Connor," said Ashley Mascroft, marketing coordinator for Dave's Soda & Pet City. "We saw the opportunity to make a big difference through our event, and our vendors have been on board from the very beginning. We are all very excited to be able to invite the public to play golf with us and help such a great group."

For more information about tickets, visit <https://davesputtingforpaws.eventbrite.com>. For sponsorship opportunities or to donate a prize, email Mascroft at ashley@davespetcity.com.

Scramble for the Animals seeks golfers

AGAWAM - Volunteers of the Westfield Homeless Cat Project and Open Arms Rescue, Inc., formerly Friends of the Westfield Regional Animal Shelter, Inc., are asking golfers to join them in their annual Scramble for the Animals, Aug. 2, at Oak Ridge Golf Club, 850 South Westfield St.

This year's goal of \$6,000 will help to save the lives of hundreds of cats and dogs in the greater Westfield area. The \$100 cost includes golf, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes. Dinner only is \$25.

Prizes for a hole-in-one include a new Subaru from Bertera Subaru, a \$3,500 value

pool or spa from Teddy Bear Pools and Spa and a cash prize of \$700. Other prizes include \$100 cash for closest to the pin male and female, and \$50 for longest drive male and female. Sign-up will be at 11:30 a.m. with a shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. The registration deadline is July 15.

Hole sponsorships are available for \$50. It can be in the name of a business, in honor of or in memory of a loved one or a pet. Raffle prizes will also be appreciated.

For more information and registration form, contact Marie Boccasile at 413-564-0589 or e-mail marieboccasile@gmail.com.

AHS schedules annual golf tourney

AGAWAM - The Agawam High School Athletic Department will host its 21st annual golf tournament to be held Saturday, Sept. 26, at Oak Ridge Country Club, 850 South Westfield St., Feeding Hills.

This tournament raises money to help support the athletes and coaches of the Agawam High School programs. Student

athletes do not pay fees at Agawam High School as some do in other communities.

To participate as a major sponsor, golfer or tee sponsor or to donate a raffle prize, contact Dave Stratton in the Athletic office at 413-821-0529 or email dstratton@agawampublicschools.org.

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Braman Pest ranked 47th in U.S.

Braman Termite and Pest Elimination, based in Agawam, was recently ranked 47th in Pest Control Technology's nationwide list of the top 100 service providers. The trade publication based its list on year-end revenues for 2014. This was Braman's third consecutive year on the top-100 list; it ranked 48th last year, according to Jerry Lazarus, the company's third-generation owner.

"We are the only pest control provider from southern New England to be included on the list, which shows that residents across New England consistently rely on Braman Termite and Pest Elimination to keep their home or business environments pest-free," Lazarus said.

For more information about the company, visit BramanPest.com.

'Give Back Monday' to benefit Junior Women

On Monday, July 13, E.B's Restaurant, 385 Walnut Street Ext., Agawam, will be donating 10 percent of its sales to the GFWC Agawam Junior Women's Club. This "Give Back Monday" will take place from open to close and will include dine-in, take-out and delivery. Alcohol sales are excluded.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club is

a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, Junior Membership, of Massachusetts and has just concluded its 58th year of service to the community. Each year, the AJWC activities revolve around volunteer work and various ongoing community service projects, including many programs and scholarships for Agawam's younger population.

Legals

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
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Hampden Probate and Family Court
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(413)748-7758
Docket No. HD15P0739EA
Estate of:
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Date of Death: 04/01/2015
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To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Estate Recovery Unit** of Worcester MA requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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Suffield CT or some suitable person be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised** administration.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/28/2015.

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WITNESS, Hon. Anne M Geoffrion, First Justice of this Court.

Date: June 30, 2015
Suzanne T. Seguin
Register of Probate

7/9/15

'Hometown Nazareth' at St. David's on Monday

A summer family event called Hometown Nazareth will be hosted at St. David's Episcopal Church, 699 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, July 13 to 17 from 9 a.m. to noon.

Families step back in time at Hometown Nazareth, exploring what it was like to live in the town where Jesus grew up. Kids and adults participate in a memorable Bible-times marketplace, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into Bible-times snacks, visit Jesus' mom, Mary, and collect Bible Memory Makers to remind them of God's Word.

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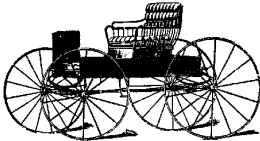
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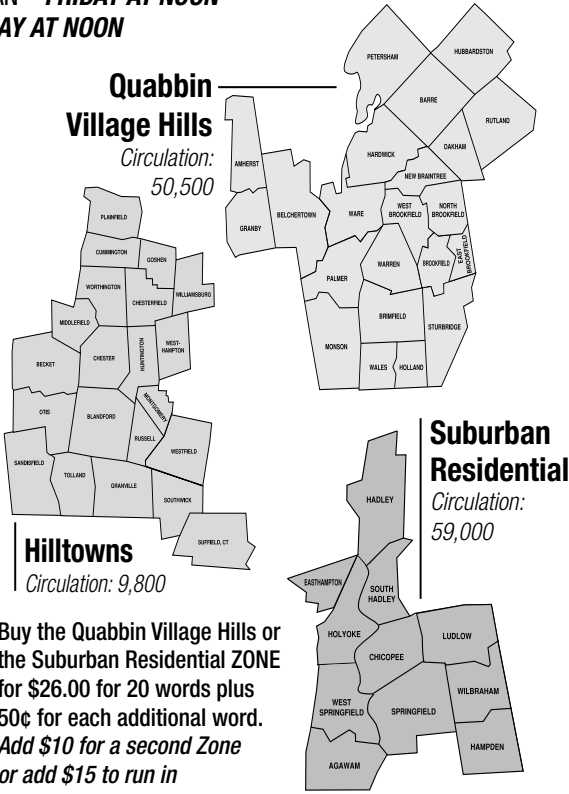
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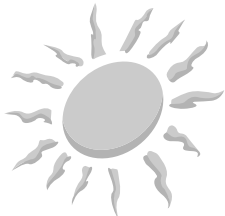
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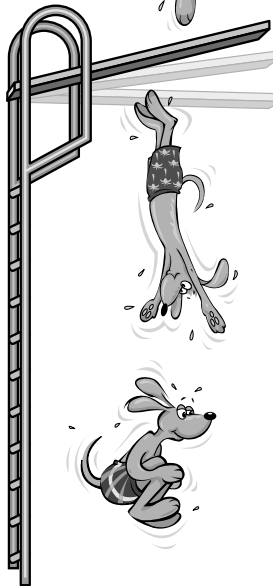
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Friday, July 10

THE NEW ENGLAND SHEEP SALE AND NORTHEAST YOUTH SHEEP SHOW takes place from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. today through Sunday, July 12, in the Mallary Complex on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Admission is free.

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL OPEN MIC MUSIC JAM at 7 p.m. Free admission. Performers determine format. Public welcome. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Saturday, July 11

BOY SCOUT TROOP 185 will hold a can and bottle drive. Drop-off is in front of the Agawam First Baptist Church, 760 Main St., from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Proceeds from the event will help defray the cost of campouts and other scout functions.

THE SPRINGFIELD TENNIS CLUB will host a social tennis mixer from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the Forest Park clay courts, 302 Sumner Ave. There will be a short club meeting at 9 a.m. The mixer is for all levels of players; no partners or reservations needed. For more information, call Sandie Powell at 413-301-5730.

Sunday, July 12

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL presents Jose Gonzalex & Sons Criollo Clasico: Classical, folk and contemporary Latin music. Admission \$10 at the door; students free. Open seating. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Monday, July 13

AREA JOURNALIST ELIZABETH ROMAN returns to the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St., at 7 p.m. with more ice cream for grownups to taste and rate. This is an adult only event. To register, call 413-789-1550 ext. 4, or online at www.agawamlibrary.org.

Tuesday, July 14

THE REGION SIX CHAMPION SHOW sponsored by the Region 6 American Quarter Horse Affiliates takes place today through Sunday, July 19, from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Big E Coliseum, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Admission is free.

A CELEBRATION OF AMERICAN MUSICAL HEROES with Craig Harris, a family event that begins at 6:30 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. This musical program uses a fun-filled range of songs to pay tribute to the pioneers of American music, including Armstrong, Gershwin, Guthrie, Seeger, Dylan and Charles. To register, call 413-789-1550 ext. 4, or online at www.agawamlibrary.org.

THE SUFFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY will host its annual ice cream social on the King House Museum lawn, 232 South Main St., Suffield, with free sundaes served from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Music will be provided by Paul Kuras. Rain date Thursday, July 16.

Wednesday, July 15

THE FREE SUMMERFEST CONCERT SERIES begins at 7 p.m. at School Street Park in Agawam and will feature the Floyd Patterson Band. As leader of the group, Floyd Patterson II provides gritty lead vocals and world heavy-weight funky bass lines that work the crowd.

RICK SPENCER WILL PRESENT a living history lecture, "To End All Wars: Songs for the 1st World War," at 6:30 p.m. at the Noble & Cooley Center for Historical Preservation, 42 Water St., Granville at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 413-357-6321.

Thursday, July 16

THE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES sponsored by the West Springfield Parks & Recreation Department continues from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Storowton Village Green on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., with a performance by the Ethel Lee Ensemble. Admission is free.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 361 Sumner Ave., Springfield will host "American Chop Suey," featuring Chamber music by Janet Dixon-Metcalf, Kirsten Lipkens, Haley Hewitt and John Widman, as part of its "A Little Night Music" concert series. Free and open to the public; food donations accepted. For more information, visit www.trinityspringfield.org.

Monday, July 20

EDIBLE PLANTS WALK & TALK at 6:30 p.m. with Rich Giordano, of All Hill Farm in West Brookfield and the Sturbridge Village Historic Herb Garden, at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. Wear comfortable shoes for a walk behind the library and high school searching for edible plants. The best time of year for harvest and recipes will be discussed. To register, call 413-789-1550 ext. 4, or online at www.agawamlibrary.org.

Tuesday, July 21

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Wednesday, July 22

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Thursday, July 23

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 361 Sumner Ave., Springfield will host "A Summer Evening with Cole Porter" as part of its "A Little Night Music" concert series. It is free and open to the public; food donations will be accepted. For more information, visit www.trinityspringfield.org.

Friday, July 24

THE YANKEE COLOR CLASSIC HORSE SHOW takes place today through Sunday, July 26, from 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. in the Coliseum on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Admission is free.

Saturday, July 25

THE HAMPDEN COUNTY 4-H FAIR takes place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Mallary Complex and Outdoor Horse Ring on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Admission is free.

LITTLE HOUSE FAMILY DAY takes place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Storowton Village Museum on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Admission is \$10 per person. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Sunday, July 26

NORTH HALL ARTS FESTIVAL presents Charles Neville & Sons, legendary jazz saxophonist. Admission \$10 at the door; students free. Visit www.northhallhuntington.org.

Tuesday, July 28

CREATING GREEN SMOOTHIES WITH JULIE SALVATO, the "Happy Veg Head" at 7 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St., Salvato will show participants how to create and taste four green smoothies, learn about the health benefits of super foods and leave with some delicious recipes. To register, call 413-789-1550 ext. 4, or online at www.agawamlibrary.org.

Thursday, July 30

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TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 361 Sumner Ave., Springfield will host "Cool Dancing on a Hot Summer Evening," vocal and instrumental music by the Bakum Family and Friends, as part of its "A Little Night Music" concert series. Free and open to the public; food donations accepted. For more information, visit www.trinityspringfield.org.

THE CONNECTICUT SUMMER CLASS HORSE SHOW takes place from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. starting today through Saturday, Aug. 1, in the Coliseum on the grounds of the Big E, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Admission is free.

Friday, Aug. 7

EAST COAST GEM, MINERAL & FOSSIL SHOW, Eastern States Exposition, Better Living Center, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. \$6; children under 12, free with an adult. Parking \$5. For information, visit www.mzexpos.com/eastcoast.htm

Saturday, Aug. 15

TOM KNIGHT PUPPET SHOW at North Hall, 40 Searle Road, Huntington at 11 a.m. Original songs and skits with handmade puppets, for families and young children. Reception. Art Gallery open. Free for kids and adults. Open seating. Wheelchair access, air-conditioned.

Wednesday, Aug. 19

KEN FEDER PRESENTS A LIVING HISTORY LECTURE, "How to Perpetrate an Archeological Fraud," at 6:30 p.m. at the Noble & Cooley Center for Historical Preservation, 42 Water St., Granville. For more information, call 413-357-6321.

Sunday, Sept. 20

ANTIQUES APPRAISAL DAY WITH KNOTTY PINE ANTIQUES from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Noble & Cooley Center for Historical Preservation, 42 Water St., Granville. For more information, call 413-357-6321.

Wednesday, Oct. 28

AGAWAM PARANORMAL PROGRAM at 6:30 p.m. at the Noble & Cooley Center for Historical Preservation, 42 Water St., Granville. For more information, call 413-357-6321

ONGOING

OPEN HOUSE TOURS at Storowton Village Museum, 1305 Memorial Ave., West Springfield, take place now through Aug. 28 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is \$5 and free for children under 6. For more information, call 413-787-0127.

THE WESTFIELD FARMERS MARKET is held every Thursday afternoon from 12:30 – 6 p.m. on the lawn of the Episcopal Church of the Atonement, 36 Court St., until Oct. 8. Free parking available. Locally grown flowers, plants, vegetables, honey and bee products, maple syrup, goat meat and goats' milk products, relishes and jams, baked goods, forested pork, free range chicken and eggs, wine, hot cider donuts, and more. SNAP EBT cards accepted. A \$5 transaction will provide SNAP customers \$10 worth of credit.

ADULT DROP-IN SIT AND KNIT meets every Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper St. No registration needed.

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 459 Mill St., Agawam, offers "Crochet Club" every other Tuesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. This club is open to all needle-workers, including crocheters, knitters, quilters, and embroiderers. For more information, call 413-786-7991.

THE LADIES GLEE CLUB AND MEN'S CHOIR at the Springfield Turnverein, 60 North Westfield St., Feeding Hills, are back to work. Practice is held every Wednesday with the ladies beginning at 7 p.m. followed by the men at 8:30 p.m. All are welcome. There is space available for anyone interested in joining.

A BREAST CANCER AND MASTECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP meets the fourth Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7:15 p.m. at 2 South Bridge Drive, Suite 1B, Agawam. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

AN ALL CANCER SUPPORT GROUP meets the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Center, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

A BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP meets the second Wednesday of each month at Heritage Woods Assisted Facility, 462 Main St., Agawam. Registration is required by calling 413-789-0200 or online at www.survivorjourneys.org.

YOUR CAR, TRUCK OR CAMPER may be worth more as a donation than a trade-in. Call the Massachusetts Association for the Blind at 888-613-2777 for more information. Towing is free. All donations are tax deductible.

Agawam Senior Center

Lunch Menu

- Monday, July 13:** American chop suey, summer salad, cantaloupe.
- Tuesday, July 14:** Pasta fagiole soup, ham and cheese sandwich on whole-wheat, lettuce and tomato, diced pears.
- Wednesday, July 15:** Salisbury steak, buttered egg noodles, broccoli, baked good.
- Thursday, July 16:** Italian seasoned herb roasted chicken, baby potatoes, dilled carrots, apple-sauce.
- Friday, July 17:** Seafood casserole, spinach salad, pudding.

Calendar of Events

- Monday, July 13:** 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9 a.m., Painting Club; 9:30 a.m., Line Dancing; 11:30 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 1 p.m., Bingo; 5:30 p.m., Zumba Gold.
- Tuesday, July 14:** 9 a.m., Shuffleboard at St. John's

- (Leonard Street); 10 a.m., Computer Technology Club; 12:30 p.m., Mah Jongg, Ladies Billiards, Movie ("Swing Time"); 1 p.m., Mexican Train Game; 4 p.m., ADA Disability Commission Meeting; 4:30 p.m., Yoga; 6 p.m., Beginner Line Dance; 6:30 p.m., Garden Club Picnic (School Street Park).
- Wednesday, July 15:** 8 a.m., Weight Training; 8:15 a.m., Yoga; 9:45 a.m., Gentle Yoga; 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1:30 p.m., Agawam Golden Agers Chapter 2; 2-4 p.m., "Ask the CPA" (by appt.); 7 p.m., School Street Park, Floyd Patterson Concert.
- Thursday, July 16:** 9:30 a.m., Quilting; 10 a.m., Line Dancing, Friends Trip ("My Name is Barbara"); 12:30 p.m., Bridge; 1 p.m., Pitch; 6:30 p.m., Pitch, Evening Line Dancing.
- Friday, July 17:** 8 a.m., Yoga; 9:15 a.m., All Media Art; Noon, Canasta; 1 p.m., Pitch, Cribbage, Tag Sale Set-Up.

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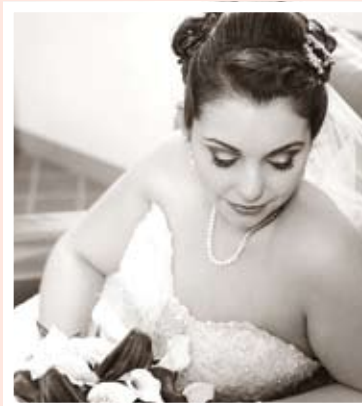
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